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INFORMAL SURVEY OF LINGUISTIC KNOWLEDGE (based on Moats, 1994)**1. From the list below, find an example of each of the following:**

scarecrow	nameless	terrible
phonograph	impeached	tables
weakly		

Inflected verb _____

Compound noun _____

Bound root _____

Derivational suffix _____

2. For each word, determine the number of syllables and the number of morphemes.*syllables**morphemes*

salamander _____

crocodile _____

attached _____

unbelievable _____

finger _____

pies _____

gardener _____

psychometrics _____

3. How many speech sounds are in the following words?

boil _____ king _____

thank _____ straight _____

ox _____ shout _____

though _____ precious _____

4. Underline the schwa vowels in the following words:

about	melody	sofa
effect	difficult	definition

5. Underline the consonant blends in the following words:

doubt known first blend pumpkin squawk scratch

6. Underline the consonant digraphs in the following words:

wholesale psychic doubt ship wrap daughter think

7. What letters signal that the letter *g* is pronounced /j/?

8. What are six common syllable types in English? (name or give examples)

9. Give examples of words with all the ways you can think of to spell the long *a* sound.

10. Define the following terms:

closed / open syllables _____

phonological awareness _____

alphabetic principle _____
